



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

BOARD AGENDA

Tuesday, November 19, 2019, 10:00 AM

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

PRESIDENT**19-0437**

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**2020 BOARD AGENDA MEETING ANNUAL CALENDAR DATES AND LOCATIONS**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title 1, Chapter 5, Section 4-1(a) of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners shall hold regular meetings pursuant to an annual calendar adopted by resolution of the Board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 2.03 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, every public body shall give public notice of the schedule of regular meetings at the beginning of each calendar or fiscal year and shall state the regular dates, times and places of such meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, Illinois (the "Board"):

1. That the Board shall hold its regular meetings of the Board on the following dates during 2020, the time for holding the specified meetings is 10:00 a.m., local time:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Tuesday, December 15, 2020

2. That the place is the County Building Room 569, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, except for the following three meeting dates: Tuesday, May 19, 2020; Tuesday, June 16, 2020 and Tuesday, September 22, 2020.
3. That the Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at the Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center located at 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs.
4. That the Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at the Rolling Knolls Pavilion, 11N Rohrssen Rd, Elgin.
5. That the Board shall hold a regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at the Chicago Botanic Garden's Farm on Ogden located at 3555 West Ogden Avenue, Chicago.

That the same dates and locations listed here will be used to schedule the following standing committee meetings, set to begin at 9:30 a.m., local time: the Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation; the Committee on Rules; the Committee on Finance; and the Committee on Real Estate.

19-0455

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE FROM THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY TO THE VILLAGE OF MORTON GROVE

WHEREAS, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, an Illinois Special District ("District"), is the owner of real estate located in Morton Grove, Cook County, Illinois, legally described on Exhibit A ("District Real Estate"); and

WHEREAS, the Village of Morton Grove, a body politic and corporate of the State of Illinois ("Village"), has a District issued license to locate, operate and maintain a water reservoir on the District Real Estate; and

WHEREAS, the District Real Estate is located wholly within the corporate limits of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to obtain title to the District Real Estate for the public purpose of operating and maintaining a water reservoir; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of Article VII, Section 10 of the 1970 Illinois Constitution and the provisions of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 *et seq.* authorize and encourage the intergovernmental cooperation set forth in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Property Transfer Act, 50 ILCS 605/0.01 *et seq.* provides statutory authority for one municipality to convey title to real estate to another municipality when the territory of the transferor municipality is at least partly within the corporate limits of the transferee municipality and it is necessary or convenient to use, occupy or improve real estate held by the transferor municipality in the making of any public improvement or for any public purpose; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Government Property Transfer Act, 50 ILCS 605/0.01 *et seq.*, this Resolution is conditioned upon the Village adopting an Ordinance which declares that it is necessary or convenient for the Village to use, occupy or improve the District Real Estate for the aforementioned public purposes and the Ordinance shall further declare that the Village is authorized by law to receive title to the District Real Estate and will accept any transfer of title to the District Real Estate made by the District to the Village; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Commissioners hereby finds and determines that the transfer of the District Real Estate to the Village is in the best interests of the District and the District's Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs that such transfer shall proceed as set forth in the instant Resolution notwithstanding the terms, conditions and procedures of Title 2, Chapter 5 Code of Ordinances of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Village has agreed to purchase the District Real Estate for the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$295,000.00) payable in ten (10) annual installments of Twenty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$29,500.00) beginning in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Village has agreed to accept title to the District Real Estate with a covenant or deed restriction limiting use of the District Real Estate to its current use as a water reservoir or other Village uses that benefit the public; and

WHEREAS, the District adopts this Resolution, by a vote of two-thirds or more of its members, which Resolution authorizes the conveyance of the District Real Estate to the Village pursuant to its statutory authority, including the Local Government Property Transfer Act, 50 ILCS 605/0.01 *et seq.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1:

The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as findings of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest

Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois.

Section 2:

The President of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the District, a quit claim deed conveying the District Real Estate to the Village, subject to any covenants, conditions and restrictions contained therein, which quit claim deed shall be attested and delivered by the appropriate District officials.

Section 3:

The President of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners and the General Superintendent of the District are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all other documents or instruments and take any and all steps necessary or desirable to effectuate such conveyance.

Section 4:

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

EXHIBIT A

DISTRICT REAL ESTATE

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THAT PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN LYING WEST OF CALDWELL AVENUE, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

SAID PARCEL CONTAINING 152,460 SQUARE FEET, OR 3.5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

19-0448

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

TRESPASS AND USE OF PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 2 - Forest Preserve Land and Property, Chapter 3 Trespass and Use of Property of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

2-3-5: - DUMPING GARBAGE; LITTERING.

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(a) No person shall deposit, dump, throw, cast, lay or place, nor cause to be deposited, dumped, thrown, cast, laid or placed any ashes, trash, rubbish, paper, garbage, refuse or debris in

or upon the property of the Forest Preserve District, nor in any watercourse, lake, pond or slough within the Forest Preserve District. See also Section 2-2-2 of this Code.

(b) Penalty. Any person or entity violating any of the provisions of this Section shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. In addition to the above-referenced fine, any person or entity deemed to be in breach of the provisions of this Section shall be liable for the cost to legally dispose of any deposited, dumped, thrown, cast, laid, or placed ashes, trash, rubbish, paper, garbage, refuse or debris, as well as the cost to repair, replace or restore property damaged as a result of such person's or entity's breach.

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2-3-9: - PENALTY.

(b) *Penalty clause.* Any person, firm, or corporation or agents, employees or contractors of such who violate, disobey, omit, neglect or refuse to comply with or who resist enforcement of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to fines of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) but not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). A separate and distinct offense shall be regarded as committed each day on which such person continues or permits any such violation to continue, or fails to make a reasonable effort to comply, after notification thereof. In addition to the above, any person deemed to be in breach of the provisions of this Code shall be liable for the cost, as determined by the General Superintendent or his designee, to repair, replace or restore the item or property damaged as a result of such person's breach. The first paragraph of this Section 2-3-9(b) shall not apply for violations of Section 2-3-5 (Dumping Garbage; Littering).

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Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect January 1, 2020.

19-0449

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

POLLUTING AND LITTERING

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 3 - Police Regulations, Chapter 3 - Miscellaneous Misconduct, Section 19 - Polluting and Littering of the

Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

3-3-19: - POLLUTING AND LITTERING.

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(c) *Penalty:* Any person or entity violating any of the provisions of this Section shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) ~~seventy five dollars (\$75.00)~~ nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. In addition to the above-referenced fine, any person or entity deemed to be in breach of the provisions of this Section shall be liable for the cost to legally dispose of any prohibited litter or pollutants, as well as the cost to repair, replace or restore property damaged as a result of such person's or entity's breach.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect January 1, 2020.

19-0452

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

FEES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 7 - Fees, Chapter 1- Fee Schedule of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

7-1-1: FEES.

BASE PERMIT FEES:

Base fees for all Picnic, Special/Athletic Event, Hourly Athletic Field, Monthly Fitness Instructor, Model Airplane, Day Camp, Overflow Parking, Filming/Photography, Campgrounds and Indoor Room Rental permits may increase each calendar year up to the rate, if positive, of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumer (CPI-U) as of July of the prior year, rounded up to the nearest dollar. A schedule of such base permit fees shall be included each year in the District's Annual Appropriations Ordinance. Permittees shall be charged the fee that is applicable for the date(s) of the permitted event. (Base fees exclude application fees, cost of District provided security, special use fees, security deposits, and vending.)

Not-to-Exceed Fees for Pools/Aquatic Centers, Golf Courses, Snowmobile Permits, Ski Rentals,

Equestrian Licenses/Tags, Off-Leash Dog Area Memberships, Equipment Rentals, Aerial Adventure admission, Approved Vendor List, Conservation@Home, and related administrative charges shall be included each year in the District's Annual Appropriations Ordinance and may be increased with the approval of the District's Board of Commissioners.

The above-referenced fees shall be posted on the District's website.

ADDITIONAL CHARGES:

Additional ten percent Non-County Resident Premiums apply to base permit fees for Picnic, Special/Athletic Event, Hourly Athletic Field, Monthly Fitness Instructor, Model Airplane, Day Camp, Overflow Parking, and Filming/Photography. Additional Non-County Resident Premiums may apply as stated in this Code or the then current Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

A change fee applies to any permit changes. Permit changes or new permit requests made within two weeks of event date shall require an additional administration fee as described in the then current Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

A District Police security fee may be required for certain events based upon size and type of event.

An application fee, as stated in the then current Annual Appropriations Ordinance, shall apply to permit requests for Special/Athletic Events, Filming/Photography, Day Camp, Overflow Parking, Model Airplane, Hourly Athletic Field, Monthly Fitness Instructor, and Indoor Room Rentals.

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INDOOR ROOM RENTALS:

Indoor Room Rentals require a minimum 4-hour rental time unless otherwise stated on the fee schedule included in the then current Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

Stated rates and minimum rental times may not apply to Indoor Room Rentals for District Volunteer Stewards, units of local government and permit applicants who have an executed partnership agreement with the District.-----

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Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect December 17, 2019.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

19-0410

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into a Partnership Agreement Amendment with the Forest Preserve Foundation (the "Foundation").

Reason: The Forest Preserves would like to extend its partnership agreement with the Foundation for one (1) year and continue its annual financial contribution to the Foundation.

Contract period: Original, 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2019; Proposed extension 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2020

Fiscal Impact: Original: \$650,000.00, plus in-kind contributions. Additional Funds Requested: Not to Exceed \$100,000.00, plus in-kind contributions up to \$25,000.00.

Account(s): Programs and Services 51001.700824

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to raise funds to support programs, and to protect and restore native habitats, within the Forest Preserves. The Foundation's work encourages philanthropic and business entities to make financial contributions toward priorities of the Forest Preserves. The Forest Preserves recognizes the benefits that an established foundation can provide and has determined that extending its agreement with the Foundation for the appropriation of funds and in-kind contributions, such as office space and services, is appropriate to further the mission of the Forest Preserves.

19-0443

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Department of Permits, Rentals and Concessions

Vendor: Glen Grove Equestrian Sports Inc ("Glen Grove"), Morton Grove, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to amend and exercise option to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Management of the Forest Preserves' equestrian facility

Original Contract Period: 3/1/2016 - 2/29/2020

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 3/1/2020 - 2/28/2021 (first of two (2) one-year extension options); with the second one-year extension option to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: Glen Grove has agreed to pay the Forest Preserves an annual fee of \$192,000.00, plus 5% of gross lesson and gift shop sales.

Original Approval: 2/9/2016

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$192,000.00 (Revenue Generating)

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 15-40-401

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): 13

Summary: The Forest Preserves would like to exercise the first of two (2) one-year extension options to allow Glen Grove to continue to provide equestrian services at the Forest Preserves-owned equestrian center located at Golf and Harms. An internal contractual audit was recently performed and Glen Grove was found in compliance with their current contract. Contract amendments include requiring Glen Grove to offer four (4) nature based equestrian programs per year for use by the Forest Preserves' Conservation and Experiential Programming Department and requiring Glen Grove to conduct background checks on employees working with unaccompanied minors. Glen Grove was originally selected in 2016, after a competitive RFP process.

19-0446

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of Resource Management

Other Part(ies): Village of River Forest, Illinois

Request: Authority for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the Village of River Forest, Illinois (“River Forest”).

Goods or Services: Integrated wildlife management services on Forest Preserve properties within the Village of River Forest.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 11/19/2019 - 12/31/2024

Fiscal Impact: N/A. River Forest will be funding all work occurring within its municipal limits, at a value not to exceed \$40,000.00 per year or portion thereof, or \$240,000.00 over the term of the agreement.

Accounts: Integrated Wildlife Service 51009.521451, 51058.521451, 51051.521451, and all future Integrated Wildlife Service accounts; Grant & Mitigation 51010.521444

District(s): 9

Summary: The Forest Preserves pursues wildlife management activities on its properties in collaboration with the United States Department of Agriculture for the benefit of the native biodiversity of natural areas. River Forest is proposing to partner with the Forest Preserves to initiate wildlife management activities at Forest Preserve properties within the municipal boundaries of the Village of River Forest, including Thatcher Woods, Thomas Jefferson Woods, and Grand Army of the Republic Woods.

The Forest Preserves will procure and coordinate all work through its existing program, with supplemental work at aforementioned locations being funded by River Forest, at their sole expense. This work will improve the native biodiversity of the surrounding natural areas, reduce the risk of wildlife related vehicular incidents, and mitigate issues negatively impacting the residents of River Forest. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

19-0458

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Office of the General Superintendent

Vendor: Performance Media, Northbrook, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to extend and increase a contract with Performance Media

Good(s) or Service(s): Advertisement sales, printing, and distribution of seasonal brochures

Original Contract Period: 11/14/2017 - 11/30/2019

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 12/1/2019 - 11/30/2020

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$140,000.00

Original Approval: 11/14/2017

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: \$70,000.00

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2019 \$20,000.00, FY 2020 \$50,000.00

Accounts: Advertising and Promotional Services 51001.520610

Contract Number(s): 17-10-201

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Interim Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The contract-specific MWBE goal for this contract was set to zero.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: On 11/14/2017 the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approved a contract with Performance Media to pursue advertising in, print and distribute the Forest Preserves' quarterly events brochure. Performance Media was deemed by a selection committee as the most qualified of the two (2) responding firms to an RFP from the Forest Preserves for these services.

Up to 320,000 brochures are distributed county-wide annually to more than 300 locations and are also given to the public at hundreds of community events throughout the year. These brochures help market the Forest Preserves' nature centers, activities, and educational programming, most of which are free, as well as promote the natural amenities that are available to the public throughout the Forest Preserves.

The Forest Preserves will open a new RFP for these services in 2020.

19-0459

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Forest Preserves District

Other Part(ies): Chicago Zoological Society

Request: Amendment to Agreement between the Forest Preserve and the Chicago Zoological Society

Good(s) or Service(s): Brookfield Zoo Admission and Parking

Agreement period: 4/6/1987 until revoked

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: None

Agreement Number(s): None

District(s): 16

Summary: Amends Section 13 of the previously executed agreement between the Chicago Zoological Society (Zoo) and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (District) for the maintenance and operation of a zoological park on lands of the Forest Preserve District, commonly known as the Brookfield Zoo, to allow for changes in certain admission and parking rates.

Reason: This increase will support the Zoo's submitted 2020 Budget proposal. On 4/6/1987 an agreement between the District and the Zoo was presented and approved by this Honorable Board of Commissioners for the continued maintenance and operations of the Brookfield Zoo (Agreement). From time to time the Agreement has been amended by mutual consent of the District and the Zoo (Parties). The Parties now wish to amend the Agreement to approve an increase in admission and parking fees at the Brookfield Zoo as indicated below.

Section 13 of the Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

"Said Zoological Park shall be open without general admission charge to organized groups of children in attendance at schools in the State of Illinois. The Society may limit the number of any such groups in any given day and may establish other rules and regulations that reasonably ensure public safety, accessibility, and convenience, including but not limited to standards of conduct and supervision. Said Zoological Park shall be free to the public without payment of any general admission fee or gratuity for a period equivalent to 52 days each year. The Society may otherwise charge an admission fee to said Park not exceeding ~~\$21.95~~ \$24.95 for each visitor from twelve to sixty-five years of age; and not exceeding ~~\$15.95~~ \$17.95 for each visitor ages three to eleven; and not exceeding \$19.95 for each visitor sixty-five years of age or older showing proof of birth date. The Society may charge a parking fee not exceeding \$14 per car and \$20 per bus. The Society may charge fees not exceeding these limits on a per vehicle basis and may otherwise adjust seasonally and daily to provide for optimal utilization of said Zoological Park. The proceeds of such admission fees and parking fees shall be devoted exclusively to the operation and maintenance of said Zoological Park and the collections therein. Charges may be made at any time pursuant to special services and for admission to special facilities within said Zoological Park for the education, entertainment or convenience of visitors."

19-0465

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Other Part(ies): Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("MWRD")

Request: Authorize the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with, and convey permanent and temporary easements to, MWRD.

Goods or Services: Construction and maintenance of stormwater conveyance improvements along a portion of 1st Avenue between Roosevelt Road and Cermak Road in Maywood

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: Continuous

Fiscal Impact: Revenue Generating. Estimated compensation \$122,000.00 (\$108,000.00 for permanent easement and \$14,000.00 for temporary easement)

Accounts: N/A

District(s): 1

Summary: MWRD proposes to construct new stormwater conveyance improvements along 1st Avenue between Roosevelt Road and Cermak Road in Maywood to alleviate chronic flooding conditions affecting access to several hospitals including Loyola University Medical Center. The flood control project includes tree removal prior to installation of new underground storm sewer pipes along the 1st Avenue Cutoff at the south end of Miller Meadow, a new outlet to the Des Plaines River, new storm sewers and on each side of 1st Avenue from Roosevelt Road to Cermak Avenue and a new bioswale and other drainage improvements on the east side of 1st Avenue at Miller Meadow.

MWRD is requesting temporary and permanent easement areas for construction staging and future maintenance of all improvements by the Illinois Department of Transportation except for mowing or maintenance of vegetation in a new hybrid bioswale along 1st Avenue that would be maintained by the Forest Preserves. MWRD will make improvements at their sole cost and expense and provide additional benefits to the Forest Preserves by installing new storm conveyance infrastructure to alleviate flooding on Forest Preserve land, relocating underground pipes to the edge of the Forest Preserves to minimize future tree impacts and installing a new water line under 1st Avenue to provide service to the Forest Preserves Central Garage Compound from the west side of 1st Avenue.

Tree mitigation and other fees will be waived for MWRD consistent with a Memorandum of Understanding providing for mutual waiver of fees between MWRD and the Forest Preserves approved by the Forest Preserves' Board of Commissioners on May 11, 2017. The final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

19-0466

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of the Office of the General Superintendent

Other Part(ies): U.S. Department of the Army, the City of Chicago, Chicago Park District and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Request: Authorization to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Cooperative Services Agreement

Goods or Services: Development of the Chicago Rivers Restoration Framework Plan

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 11/19/2019 - 3/31/2021

Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed \$50,000.00 of in-kind match

Accounts: N/A

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: This Cooperative Services Agreement will enable the US Army Engineers, Chicago District to provide planning assistance to the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) and other partners, to develop a comprehensive plan that will help protect the health of the rivers that flow through the Forest Preserves including portions of the following: North branch of the Chicago River; Sanitary and Ship Canal; Little Calumet, Grand Calumet and Calumet Rivers. This plan would identify steps to manage, restore and develop these waterways that support the health of people and nature. The development of such a comprehensive plan would allow the Forest Preserves to leverage resources and expertise for the benefit of the public lands under its care and the residents of Cook County. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

[19-0461](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurement and Disbursements Report

Report Period: 9/1/2019 - 9/30/2019

Summary: Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period of September 2019. The report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the District’s Code of Ordinances.

19-0463

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: 2020 Update to the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Report Period: Five (5) Years, 2020-2024

Summary: This report is an update of capital improvement projects and funding needs for the next five (5) years (2020-2024). Capital improvement needs were identified by Forest Preserves of Cook County staff, partner organizations and members of the public. The draft can be downloaded from the Forest Preserves' of Cook County website at: <https://fpdcc.com/CIP/>

Additional requests and comments can also be submitted on that web page or on the Forest Preserves' of Cook County Facebook page. A final report will be issued at the January 2020 board meeting.

19-0435

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

REPORT

Department: Larry Suffredin, Forest Preserves of Cook County Commissioner

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: 2019 Report on the 13th Forest Preserve District of Cook County

Report Period: 3/1/19-10/1/19

Summary: Survey of residents who pulled event permits during 2019 in the 13th District Forest Preserves

19-0113

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 11/19/2019 - 12/17/2019

Throughout the winter (when there is snow)

Snowshoes

Snowshoes are available at 5 nature centers when snow is 4" or greater. *Equipment is limited and is loaned with no charge on a first come, first serve basis. Driver's license required.*

Cross-country Skiing and Ski Rental

Starting December 21, as soon as conditions are skiable (frozen ground and 5" snow), Sagawau Nordic is open from 9am - 4pm. Trails will be open and groomed as snow conditions permit and could include a late start or an early finish. *Watch our Facebook page and call 630-257-2045 for the most up-to-date trail conditions.*

Friday, 11/22; 7pm

Night Hike, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Hike a trail with a naturalist to look for and learn about the nocturnal creatures that call Crabtree home.

Saturday, 11/23; 10am - 12pm

Woodworking with Invasives, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

Create functional furniture and toys using local natural materials. *Separated by age groups: 18 and up and ages 8-17. Equipment provided.*

Saturday through Sunday, 11/23 - 11/24; 10am - 4:30pm

Community Tree Trim, Chicago Zoological Society, Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Does your community group want to get into the holiday spirit early? Join Brookfield Zoo in gearing up for our Holiday Magic celebration by participating in Community Tree Trim. Sponsoring a tree is a beautiful way to support the zoo and celebrate the 38th annual Holiday Magic! School groups, scout troops, families - all are welcome to participate in Tree Trim!

Saturday, 11/23; 10am - 12pm

Wellness in the Woods: Awakening Wonder, Swallow Cliff Woods-North, Palos Hills

Come to the woods and step out of day-to-day pressures. Enjoy a tune-up of senses and spirit during this program led by Joy Clough. *Registration required. Call 312-533-5751.*

Saturday, 11/23; 1pm

Feed the Birds, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Learn about the best bird foods, feeders and landscape elements to benefit resident winter birds. You'll even make a simple bird feeder to take home!

Saturday, 11/23; 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Starry, Starry Night, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Adults, this one's for you! Enjoy an evening stroll under the fall stars followed by a tasty treat at the campfire. *Ages 18 and up. Registration required.*

Sunday, 11/24; 10am - 3pm

47th Annual Settlers' Day, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Experience costumed living-history demonstrators, history hikes, crafts, an imaginary wagon train adventure and more. Admission is free, nonperishable food or monetary donations benefiting a local food depository gratefully accepted.

Sunday, 11/24; 1:30pm

Feed the Birds, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Learn about birds and bird feeding for the winter season.

Saturday, 11/30; 1pm

Fall Hike, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Enjoy a naturalist-led hike in the crisp fall air.

Saturday, 11/30; 10am - 3pm

Tree Cookie Painting, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Paint and enjoy the last scenes of fall before winter begins!

Saturdays and Sundays, 11/30 - 12/22, Thursday through Tuesday, 12/26 - 12/31; All day

Holiday Magic, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Now in its 38th year, celebrate Chicagoland's largest and longest running lights festival. With over one million twinkling LED lights, a 41-foot talking tree, a skating rink, carolers, ice carvers and much more, it is a magical time for the entire family.

Thursday, 12/5; 10:30am - 12:30pm

Nature Play Date, Dan Ryan Woods, Chicago

Enjoy playing music and exploring with natural materials in a new nature play space.

Thursday, 12/5; 3pm - 8pm

Seed Cleaning & Potluck, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

In partnership with The Field Museum, help clean seed from local natural areas. *Call 312- 665-7167 to register.*

Saturday, 12/7; 4pm - 8pm

Winter Bonfire, Camp Dan Beard, Northbrook

Join us for a celebration of winter with a huge bonfire! Outdoor activities and s'mores provided. *Parking at Potawatomi Woods.*

Sunday, 12/7; 1pm - 2:30pm

One Ounce Wonders, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

Bundle up for this brisk bird walk about the tiny songbirds that spend their winters at the Little Red Schoolhouse. *Binoculars will be provided. Registration required. All ages.*

Sunday, 12/8 and Saturday, 12/14; 1:30pm

Wax Clinic, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont

Learn how simple it is to care for your skis. We will discuss ski maintenance for wax-able and wax-less skis.

Sunday, 12/8; 11am - 3pm

Christmas Past, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Visit our pioneer settlement and celebrate this joyous time of year in a simpler way with homemade toys, chestnuts roasting and popcorn popping in the open fire.

Sunday, 12/08; 1:30pm

Sit Down With A Skunk, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Learn about skunks' unique adaptations and meet River Trail's resident striped skunk.

Wednesday, 12/11; 5pm - 6pm

Priority Species of the Chicago Wilderness Library Program, Altgeld Branch Chicago Public Library, Chicago

Learn about species of concern around Cook County through reading and activities.

Saturday, 12/14; 9am

Fireside Yoga at Thatcher Woods, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

Join us for an indoor yoga class surrounded by nature. Bring your mat and meet us at Thatcher Woods Pavilion. *Ages 12 and up.*

Saturday, 12/14; 12pm - 3pm

Stairs, Stories and S'mores, Swallow Cliff Woods-North, Palos Hills

Stair climbing, storytelling, sledding and snowshoeing (weather permitting), s'more making. All your favorite winter activities in one place!

Saturday, 12/14; 4pm - 8pm

Winter Bonfire, Camp Shabbona, South Holland

Enjoy the warmth of a bonfire, nature play, artmaking and s'mores.

Saturday, 12/14; 7pm

Owl Prowl, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

Join Chicago Ornithological Society for an owl prowling through some of the best owling locations. We will

be on the lookout for multiple species of owls during high mating and calling season. Dress appropriately for the weather with multiple layers as temperatures can drop rapidly after sunset and owling is frigid business. Flashlights permitted but not required. *Ages 13 years and up. Check our website for registration information.*

Sunday, 12/15; 1pm - 3pm

Creative Invasives, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Help us open the woodlands by removing buckthorn, and then create a holiday gift utilizing this woody invasive. *Ages 16 and up. Registration required.*

Sunday, 12/15; 5:30am

Dawn Owl Prowl, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Hike and listen for owls as part of the 120th annual Christmas Bird Count, with John Elliot from the Chicago Audubon. *For adults and ages 10 and older. Call Trailside Museum to register.*

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 11/19/2019

19-0480 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS special meeting held on 10/22/2019

19-0481 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS regular meeting held on 10/22/2019

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 11/19/2019

19-0468 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation – 10/22/2019

19-0469 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (WORKERS' COMPENSATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Workers' Compensation – 11/19/2019

19-0444 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION, Trees R US

19-0440 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT, Ideal Heating Company, Brookfield, Illinois

19-0441 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT, CPMH Construction Inc, Chicago, Illinois

19-0442 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT, CPMH Construction Inc., Chicago, Illinois

19-0460 REPORT Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures 1/1/2019 – 9/30/2019

REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 11/19/2019

19-0400 PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST, Grantee Village of Morton Grove

19-0396 PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT, Village of Niles